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EDITORIAL

Stepping Stones to Greatness

From Winchester Star)

As straw votes are being cast into the political atmosphere to test the trend of the times and American citizens, one and all, gravely weigh the qualifications of the candidates for the Presidency, it is interesting to analyze the qualifications of the 31 men who have served as the nation's Chief Executive, as represented by the stepping stones which carried them into office.

No less than 24 of the 31 Presidents have been lawyers .Only Washington, William Henry Harrison, Zachary Taylor, Andrew Johnson, Grant, Theodore Roosevelt, Harding and Hoover have been without that apparent asset.

Military service undoubtedly was as important item i, the election of many— James Monroe, soldier of the revolution; Franklin Pierce, brigadier general i n the Mexican war;the "federal brigadiers," Benjamin Harrison, Hayes, Garfield and McKinley; and the charge of the Rough Riders at San Juan Hill aided Theodore Roosevelt's rise to the vice-presidency from which McKinley's death raised him to the Presidency. At least two rose to the Presidency SOLELY upon the basis of military glory, Zachary Taylor and Ulysses S. Grant . Although Washington, Jackson and William Henry Harrison were great military leaders and this fact contributed substantially to their public fame, Washington's services to the colonies were far beyond the battlefield, while Jackson had a long political career in both the Senate and the House, and Harrison served in the House, the Indianna Legislature and as Minister to Columbia before being elected president

Many of today's candidates can take some comfort from the fact that of the 31 Presidents, 13 served as governors of their states, 15 in their state legislatures, 8 in the national cabinet, 6 in the diplomatic service, 11 in the United States Senate and 13 in the House of Representatives. Only John Quincy Adams and Andrew Johnson went back to Congress a f t e r serving their terms as President, Adams to the House and Johnson to the Senate.

Educational qualifications insofar as college degrees are concerned appear to have cut no large figure. Extremes of educational advantages run the gamut from Woodrow Wilson, who attended D.vidson College, the University of Virginia and Johns Hopkins and served as president of Princeton, to Andrew Johnson, whose wife taught him to read and write.

Only three Vice-Presidents, John Adams, Jefferson and Van Buren, were elected to the Presidency after serving a full term in the subordinate position. Of the Vice-Presidents who succeeded at the death of a President, only Theodore Roosevelt and Coolidge were reelected on their merits; John Tyler, Johnson, Millard Fillmore and Chester A. Arthur retiring at the end of the term for which their predecessor was elected.

WHO WON?

Now that it's over, who won the war between Russia and Finland? That's easy to answer . . . Germany! Russia gained everything she sought from Finland, but the price paid in men and equipment and the military prestige she lost in taking so long to even approach doing the job add up to make it questionable to call Russia the winner. But Germany gains. Russia is now free to furnish the raw materials that Hitler needs, the menace of Allied armies in Sweden, Norway and Finland has been averted, and still another small nation has been added to the growing list of those England and France could not or at least did not save.

Virginia And Uncle Sam

The General Assembly of Virginia had a tremendous time trying to balance the budget of the Old Dominion, for the next two years. The budget for the two years will amount to $178,000,000. That's not quite the change. So far as we know, it's the most money Virginia has ever spent.

But, want to know something?

$178,000,000 would run the federal government for only five days! Gee.....!

WHO IS SENATOR CARY?

The morning papers carry the announcement that State Senator Hunton Cary, Richmond lawyer, will be a candidate for the, Democratic nomination for Governor next year.

Frankly, we know nothing of the first announced candidate. We have heard of no movement or sentiment in his behalf. Surely, after having had two out of the last three Governors (Price and Pollard) the Richmond area won't expect the rest of the state to take seriously the candidacy of another Richmonder for at least 12 years! The only way we can explain Senator Cary's candidacy is that it may be a move to head off Ashton Dovell, since they both come from the same state senatorial district. We feel safe in predicting that Senator will not be the next governor of Virginia.

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X-Rays of Voice Box' Aids Study of Larynx

If you stutter, don't blame it all on your tongue or your facial muscles. More probably it's the fault of your larynx.

That is the conclusion of Dr. Harold Westlake, instructor in speech at the Pennsylvania State college, based on an analysis of 1,500 original X-ray pictures of the mouth and "voice-box" of several hundred persons of all ages and both sexes, some of them stutterers.

"In singing, in speech instruction for the deaf and in voice correction, we have been over-emphasizing the tongue simply because we didn't know how important the larynx might be," he said. "The X-ray pictures show that this is important— that the obscure vocal folds and the back cavities of the throat influence our speech very decidedly."

In producing vowels, for instance, it was found that the hidden motions and placements of the larynx play a bigger role than the position of the tongue. With consonants, on the other hand, the major function is supplied by the tongue.

Pictures of stutterers revealed that in most cases spasms occur in the larynx before they are discernible at all in the tongue or facial muscles. The traditional treatments have dealt almost exclusively with the visible organs.

Dr. Westlake believes that as the larynx becomes better known, it will assume great importance in speech instruction. Electrical instruments are already available, he said, to measure the amount of energy being expended in the larynx, and these will facilitate correctional treatments.

Smoke Evil

Discoveries announced by the American Chemical society promise to free cities from the dangers of sulphur dioxide, the noxious gas from which the smoke problem chiefly arises. Sulphur dioxide, which is unavoidably formed in the burning of coal, and which, escaping from industrial smoke stacks, causes heavy losses in corrosion of buildings and menaces health, will be eliminated from the atmosphere if a method successfully worked out in the laboratory of Robert D. Snow, of the University of Illinois, becomes industrially feasible. Dr. Snow, solving the problem theoretically, shows that the sulphur can be removed from the coal before it is burned. Dr. Snow's method involves the processing of coal at the mines before it is shipped. The coal is first ground, and then treated with an acid solution of ferric sulphate. The treated coal is washed and heated in the presence of hydrogen. The hydrogen removes the remaining sulphur in the form of hydrogen sulphide.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Dean of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.
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Lesson for March 17

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CALVARY: TRIUMPH THROUGH SACRIFICE

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 27:33-50.
GOLDEN TEXT—He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.—Isaiah 53:3.

At Calvary, reverent and thoughtful readers of God's Word stand speechless, and confess themselves to be powerless to explain or to expound the awe-inspiring story, and yet just because it is such a story, because on that cross the divine Son of God gave Himself in sacrificial atonement for sin, we must do our utmost to understand it, to explain it, and certainly to declare it to all mankind. For when He who knew no sin became sin for us, it was for our sin that He died. Here alone we find redemption.

We approach this scene therefore with reverence, and with the prayer that we may so present the dying Saviour to dying men that some may believe and be saved. We center our thoughts around three expressions taken from the text.

I. "They Crucified Him."

All of the gospel stories are remarkably reticent when they speak of the cross. Details of surrounding events are given, but when they speak of the cross itself, they can only say that He was crucified. Let us look at the One who hung on that sacred tree, for He is the Saviour of the world. Refusing the stupefying potion (v. 34) and facing death fully conscious, we hear Him crying out of the darkness which covered all the land, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" That cry indicates the depth to which our Saviour went for us.

Does it not seem that the Father in that darkest moment of history turned His back upon the One who knowing no sin Himself had become sin for us? And yet we know that it was God who hung upon the tree, God the Son. Here is divine mystery, the meaning of which we cannot fathom, but we know that it was for us.

Then came the cry with the loud voice, "It is finished!" This was not the death of the languishing martyr. The Son of God, having wrought out redemption on the cross, cried forth in powerful tones of victory, "It is finished!" and yielded up His spirit.

II. "They Watched Him."

Soldiers, priests, the two thieves, the women—how different was the purpose and the spirit of their watching.

The soldiers had made sport of Him and mocked Him in the palace. They took a passing curious interest in the crucifixion. They gambled over His garments, and finally settled down to perform their duty as guards with stolid indifference. How much of humanity is just like that!

The priests who professed to know about God and His Word stand out in appalling wickedness and ignorance. Being members of the highest and noblest of callings, they fell when they sinned to the lowest depths.

Of the two thieves, one believed and the other railed at our Lord (Luke 23:39, 40). The cross has ever since been the dividing line, part of humanity turning there to life eternal, the rest going on its railing way to destruction.

The women wailed. No doubt they were perplexed and troubled in heart, but they stood faithfully by until His precious body was in the grave. We read of no apostle who did as much, and we give all honor to the faithful women.

III. "He Trusted in God."

This was the sarcastic taunt of the priests. "When the King was hanging upon the cross and the interpreters of religion, the priests, misinterpreted God, there was a great silence. God's noninterference is the first thing that impresses one as the story is read, but that is not all the story. It was not wholly noninterference. "From the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour.' That seems to have been the act of God. It would seem that in infinite tenderness God wrapped the land in darkness in the hour of His Son's supreme suffering" (G. Campbell Morgan). We also read in verse 51 that the veil of the temple was torn from top to bottom, opening the way for all men in Christ to enter the Holy of Holies.

"He trusted God." Yes, even to the sacrifice of Himself in death. Because He could not save Himself (v. 42) in thus doing the will of God the Father, He did save others. The scoffing priests told the truth in spite of their wicked purpose to falsify. "They crucified Him," "they watched Him," but "He trusted God" and became the Saviour of the world.

How Great and How Wondrous

How great are his signs! and how mighty are his wonders! His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion is from generation to generation.—Daniel 4:3.

WHISTLING IN THE DARK

Meat Curing Simplified By Using New Process

Certain difficulties in curing meats at home have been eliminated with the use of smoke salt and special meat cures now available at low cost. With the use of these preparations nothing needs to be added at home except water in the case of pickling meat. Special meat cures, already mixed except for the water, are pumped to the area around the bones in ham and shoulders, as well as around joints in other cuts of meat, so that, after the outer part has been cured with smoke salt, it can truly be said that the cuts have been cured from the inside out as well as from the outside in.

At small cost, a specially constructed pump is now available, writes John E. Hubel in the Pennsylvania Farmer. This pump has a needle with several small holes at the bottom, so that the pickling solution is spread to the area around the bones, which are so hard to get at with curing salt when ordinary salt is used for curing hams and other cuts.

The pumping process is so simple that any one can do a good job. Each stroke of the pump brings enough of the pickling solution to the area around the bone in hams and shoulders to cure this part of the meat as thoroughly as that on the outside. For hams and shoulders weighing 10 to 15 pounds about three pumpfuls of pickle, or about 12 ounces, are sufficient, while for larger hams and shoulders, weighing from 12 to 25 pounds, five pumpfuls or 20 ounces of the solution will be enough for a good cure.

Woman Gains Citizenship By Using Sign Language

A deaf-and-dumb woman who came to the United States from Russia in 1928 was admitted to American citizenship recently without the slightest difficulty in United States District court, Brooklyn, N. Y., after the judge had called upon a knowledge of dactylology acquired in his early youth to test her knowledge of the American form of government.

The applicant was Mrs. Martha Starr, 35 years old, of Brooklyn. When court attendants found that she could not hear or speak, they hurriedly instituted a search for an interpreter. The judge soon put an end to the search, however, when he held up one hand and began a series of rapid manipulations with his fingers. Mrs. Starr responded with similar motions of her own hands and, while persons in the court sat mystified, she and the judge conversed for several minutes.

The judge then revealed that he had admitted Mrs. Starr to citizenship. He said her answers had convinced him that she was a "highly intelligent person" who was thoroughly familiar with the English language and the American system of government. He said that she had repeated the oath of allegiance to the United States in the deaf-and-dumb alphabet. The judge later explained that he had learned dactylology as a boy of ten in Arkansas in order to converse with a playmate who was a deaf-mute.

Stairway Danger Spots

Stairways can be treacherous danger spots if not planned on a proper scale. Twenty-three per cent of all home accidents occur on stairways and steps, according to the National Safety council's annual statistical report. Where there is a corner in the stairway, safety can be maintained if no more than two steps are set in a 90-degree-turn, and these allow for ample foot space. To divide the turn into three steps makes for unsafe footing and constitutes a safety hazard. In modernizing older homes, unsafe stairways should be either replaced or redesigned. Care should be exercised to assure that the new stairway is easy to ascend and descend and that curves and corners have sufficient foot space.

Letters to The Editor

Wants Streets Fixed

Appomattox, Va.
Editor of the Times Virginian,
Appomattox, Va.
Dear Sir,

Every time a car goes by me, I am startled with a fear and I just know the car has turned over or been damaged. I go look to see. There is a large hole in the street over the sewer line. This condition has only true just in front of my house but all over town, but there places in the street are dangerous and annoying, they are dangerous and something should be done about them. Can't we fix them before some one gets hurt? An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!

"Interested Citizen."

(Editor's note: In case the writer of this letter thinks that might be explained that the reason for it is supposed to be that the places where streets were cut to lay sewer lines for a period of time after the completion of the work, until it is advisable to do the permanent repairing. However, there is no excuse for the condition existing as long as it does, and we agree with the writer that something should be done about them. Can't someone get busy?)

Suggestions To Beautify

Editor, Times Virginian,
Dear Sir,

Dogwood and red bud trees are to be found in every yard in Appomattox. They are a beautiful and attractive sight at one season of the year. Why not plantings aren't noticed now.

The street trash cans are dilapidated they don't encourage neatness.

The ugly view of old warehouses could be hidden by what by planted vines and shrubbery.

There must be good places for flies somewhere else or we couldn't have so many.

Garden Club.

Dislikes Holes in Streets

Editor, Times Virginian,
Dear Sir,

I wish the town would fill the big holes in the streets.

Interested

Beautify Public Buildings

Editor Times Virginian,
Dear Sir,

Appomattox is a beautiful town and public buildings would be a great improvement in our town.

Citizen.

Vacant Lots and Fences

Editor, Times Virginian,
Dear Sir,

We should clean up the vacant lots and move old fences in our town.

Club Member.

WOMEN IN YOUR
Read This Important Message
Do you dread those "trying years"? Are you getting nervous, irritable, NERVOUS? Do you fear hot flashes, feel weak, "all in" at times? Then you should find relief from such symptoms. Taken regularly as directed these symptoms. So start today! Buy famous Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. For over 60 years Pinkham's Compound has helped hundreds of thousands of women. Follow label directions. Pinkham's has helped many! Also serves as a fine tonic. Worth trying! Get Pinkham's today! Also use Pinkham's "woman's" tonics. Try it!

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15-Year-Old Radio 'Ham' Contacts 1,600 Stations

Hugh T. Anderson of Greenville, S. C., 15-year-old "ham," has sent radio code signals that have been heard and answered by 1,600 stations in 32 foreign countries and the United States.

He's one of the youngest amateur radio operators in the nation. Yet, he's a veteran with an enviable record.

Four years ago he began studying the international radio code with his brother, Burton. Last fall he received his license to operate after passing a Federal Communications commission examination.

Later he was on the air, his freckled, steady hand pounding out messages. He has mailed 600 postcards to verify air contacts and has received 400 replies. These include messages from Cape Verde island, Guam, Howland island, Tasmania, Bahrein island in the Persian gulf and Nigeria. He also has contacted Norway, Finland and Japan.

His communications with Italy, Salvador, Yugoslavia and the Republic of Panama have been of particular interest, for here there prohibit operation of amateur stations and force operators to transmit secretly.

Typical American Dance

Gene Snyder, who dreams up dance routines for theaters and night clubs on a mass-production scale, reported recently that the tap is the true form of American folk dancing. Outlining the development of this particular type of terpsichore, the 29-year-old dance director said that the greatest strides have been made in the last decade—since ballet technique had been added—"but the surface hasn't been scratched." "Americans have an inherent sense of rhythm which is particularly good for tap dancing," Snyder said. "In fact, it's the best in the world."

Appomattox Personals For This Week Are Reported

Among those who motored to Lynchburg Saturday to hear the concert by Jeannette MacDonald, were: Rudge and Mrs. J.W.Flood, Miss Mary Trent, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Vanderslice, Miss Violet Ramsey, Miss Lucille Cralle and Miss Beulah Farrell.

Miss M. Avis Brown, of Charlottesville spent the week-end with her parents here.

Barbara Eskip, Parrish is sick at writing.

Mrs. Giles Engledove, of Richmond, arrived today to spend the remainder of the week with her sister, Mrs. L. L. Gayle.

Meredith Evans, of Richmond, was here for the week-end.

Miss Clara Whitney Moses spent the week-end in Lynchburg with her friend Miss Dorothy Lee Johnson.

Mrs. G. F. Lacy accompanied Mrs. F. Patterson to Baltimore Saturday, to visit Captain Patterson, at camp Polahird.

Attention: Get your Garden Seed now, at C. S. JENKINS. (adv.)

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J. H. Cheatham is visiting his daughter, Mrs. L. M. Ringham, in Bristol.

Lt. E.A. Powers, of Richmond, spent the week-end in the home of Mr and Mrs. J. E. Sears.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Carlton Price were recent visitors in Gladys.

Just Arrived! New stock of spring print goods. C. S. Jenkins.

Mrs. Olenda Farmer spent Saturday in Farmville.

Mrs. Arthur Irby, of Farmville, visited Mrs. W.T. Steele and Mrs. Virginia Marks her Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dun Marks and Miss Margaret Stratton, of Stonewall spent Monday night with Miss Elva Stratton.

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Miss Virginia Grant, of Farmville was in Appomattox Tuesday.

J. E. Jamerson spent Monday in bed due to an illness. It was the first day he had been sick in bed for 22 years!

Mrs. Olenda Farmer attended the Founders Day program at the Farmville State Teachers College.

Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Bishop, of Lynchburg visited friends in Appomattox Friday and were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Smith.

Jacob Lewis and Misses Faith and Martha Lewis spent last week-end in, Greensboro, N.C.

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Easter Cards at C.S. Jenkins!

Mrs. Gayle will be hostess to the contract bridge club at a 1pt dinner tomorrow evening.

Mrs. Bidwell spent the week-end in Mt. Hope, W.Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Newman and family have moved to Appomattox from Williamsburg. They are occupying an apartment in the W. L. Ould residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Freeman and daughter, Wilda Anne, of Greensboro, were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Hanenkrat, Sr. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ferguson, of Evergreen were Sunday dinner guests in the same home.

Mrs. J.W. Flood entertained the contract bridge club last Friday evening. Prizes went to Mrs. C.H. Robinson and H.Y. Spencer.

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Miss Rebecca Harvey, of Sweet Briar College, Raleigh, N.C., is spending the spring holidays with her mother here.

Mr. and Mrs. T.M. Trent left Wednesday for a trip to New York and Connecticut.

Miss Frankie McKinney returned Wednesday after spending the week-end in Mount Hope W.Va., with Mrs. Bidwell.

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Mrs. Clarence Brown, and son, of Roanoke spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wilmer. Mr. Wilmer has recovered from an attack of flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Penrose Woolfolk and son, Billy, spent the week-end in the home of her mother, Mrs. W. M. Hancock.

Mr. and Mrs. Joh- Yeaman announce the birth of a baby daughter, born Sunday, March 10.

Miss Avis Brown has accepted a position in Richmond, and will leave Charlottesville next week to begin her new duties.

The MacLean circle of Liberty Baptist church will meet Thursday evening, in the home of Mrs. Garrett with Miss Jessalyn Hancock having charge of the program. The theme of the program will be Easter.

The Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Bishop, of Lynchburg, were visitors in Appomattox last week.

Miss Kate O'Brien was in Richmond last week-end.

Mrs. Vera Abbitt has returned from a week's visit in Petersburg. Miss Vay Abbitt was in Richmond last week.

Mrs. Ker, Mays underwent an operation last Tuesday at the University Hospital, Charlottesville. She is reported to be improving and is expected to be able to leave the hospital next week. Mrs. Clarence Wilkerson spent last Tuesday and Wednesday in, Charlottesville with her mother.

Ready to start your garden? Get your Seeds from C.S. Jenkins.

Mrs. Ida W. Jones, of Appomattox county celebrated her 94th birthday Sunday, with relatives in Roanoke where she has been spending the winter.

Miss Alice Smith, who recently underwent an appendicitis operation is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Potts, of Richmond, spent the week-end with Mrs. Lottie Bledsoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivy Holland spent the week-end in Franklin.

W. D. Browning, of Richmond, spent the week-end here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R.N. Dawson.

Miss Pat Sears, of Richmond and Miss Dorothy Sears, of South Boston spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sears. We are glad to report that Mr. Sears continues to improve after an extended illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams and family, of Vinton, spent the week-end in Appomattox.

Miss Rosa May Woolridge has been home this week due to the illness of her sister, Miss Vivia, Woolridge.

Miss Kate O'Brien, Mrs. Mildred Alvis and Miss Edith O'Brien entertained at tea Sunday afternoon.

Miss Alice Harwood returned Sunday after spending a week in, Miami.

Herman Roberson, of Lovingston, spent the week-end at his home near Vera.

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Old Glory Breaks Even in Massachusetts Schools

The American flag made headline news in two Massachusetts schools recently. Left: Brothers Beecher, 16, and Hollis Green, 12, willingly salute the flag, but their sisters, Wanda, 14, and Geneva, 11, members of Jehovah's Witnesses, refuse the patriotic gesture. Other pupils in the Saugus school, also members of the religious sect, refused to salute the flag. School officials have instructed parents to explain their children's refusal. Right: Kathleen E. Ross, 12, Norwood, Mass., received permission from probate court to change her name to Betsy E. Ross, after the young Philadelphia woman who designed the first American flag.

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Direct Air Mail Service Extended to Small Cities

Direct air mail service to small cities and towns, previously reserved for large centers of population where the volume of business warrants large airports and mail handling facilities, is now daily available to 58 localities throughout Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, and Delaware. This service is made possible by a delivery and pickup system that literally works "on the fly."

At the mail station, the outgoing bag of mail is suspended from a rope stretched between two poles some 20 feet high and 40 feet apart. As the specially equipped plane approaches the station a bag of incoming mail is lowered from the plane on the end of a cable, and, at the same time, a four-pronged grapple is lowered on another cable. The rush of air keeps the two cables from tangling.

When the plane reaches the station the incoming mail bag is dropped, while the plane flies on. Passing over the rope supporting the outgoing mail bag, the grapple engages the rope, which is released by spring clips at the poles, whereupon the mail clerk in the plane reels in the bag and goes on about his business of sorting mail while the plane flies on with undiminished speed to the next station. As many as 75 pick-ups have been made in one day without a single landing.

The mail bags used in this system are protected by round noses of hard fiber and by rubber "skirts" which prevent damage when the bag is dropped. Shock to the plane when picking up a bag of mail at 120 miles an hour is absorbed by springs on the reeling-in winch and by a slayed section roller by which the bag is suspended from its supporting rope.